

ODPP appoints new assistant DPP

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The two newly-appointed Assistant Directors of Public Prosecutions, Dato Shyamala Alagendra and Dr Andrew Jack, at the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions. Picture: SUPPLIED

THE Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions has appointed two new Assistant Directors of Public Prosecutions (ADPP).

Director of Public Prosecutions Christopher Pryde today announced the appointment of Dato Shyamala Alagendra from Malaysia and Dr Andrew Jack from New Zealand for the positions.

According to a statement issued by the ODDP, Ms Alagendra is an international lawyer with over 20 years of experience as a criminal lawyer.

Dr Jack, on the other hand, comes with vast experience and knowledge as he has served 14 years in the Legal Section of the New Zealand Police with last five years as the Chief Legal Adviser.

Ms Alagendra was awarded the title of Dato by the Sultan of Perak (both the former Lord and King of Malaysia) in April 2014 for services to international law.

This award is the equivalent to a Knighthood in the UK.

The duo join two other ADPPs: Mosese Korovou and Lee Burney at the ODPP headquarters in Suva.